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Filing Date	October 30, 2003
First Named Inventor	Martin Blanz et al.
Art Unit	2859; Confirmation No.: 7879
Examiner Name	Brij B. Shrivastav
Attorney Docket Number	584-35879-USCP

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SERIAL NO.: 10/696,995	§	
	§	Examiner: Shrivastav, Brij B
FILED: October 30, 2003	§	
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TITLE: "Downhole High Resolution NMR Spectroscopy with Polarization Enhancement"	§	Confirmation No.: 7879
	§	
	§	Atty Docket No.: 584-35879-USCP

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE OF OCTOBER 21, 2005 AND****REQUEST FOR CONTINUING EXAMINATION**

This is in response to the Notice of Allowance of October 21, 2005. Applicant respectfully requests continuing examination of the application to enable consideration and review by the Examiner of US6,958,604B2 cited in an accompanying Supplementary Information Disclosure Statement. Applicant further requests that the further examination not be carried out until applicant has had time to review the reference and file a preliminary amendment in the application (if considered appropriate) and comments to distinguish the present invention from the teachings of the '604 patent. This is expected to take no more than a week

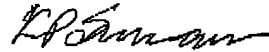
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A fee of \$790 is believed to be due for the request for continuing examination.  
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Respectfully submitted,

Dated: January 23, 2006



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